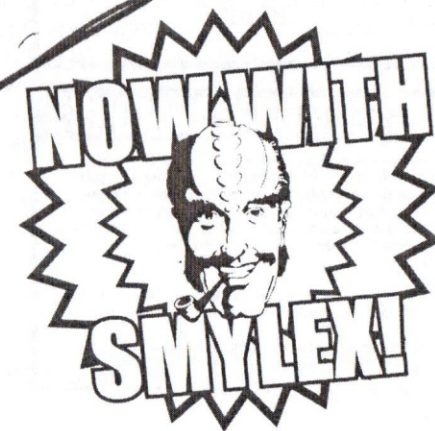
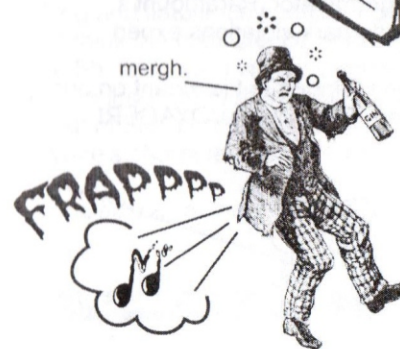
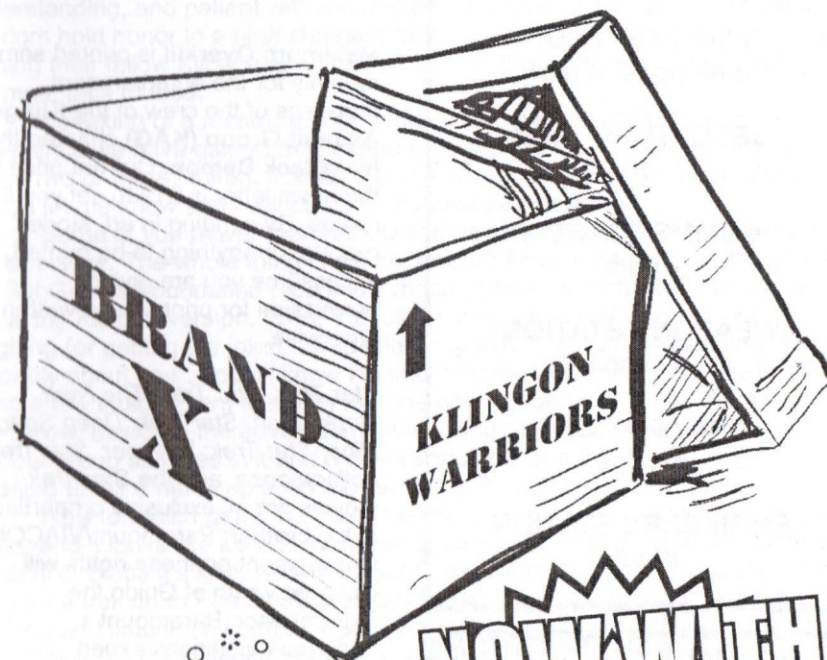


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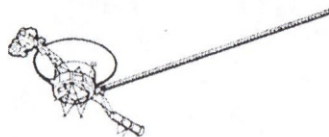
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FROM THE CAP'N

nuqneH. Wow, I still can't believe it's been 5 years since the chapter launched. Looking back I honestly don't know what I was getting into. I didn't really know *that* much about the Klingons, only what I had seen on the screen. After receiving a recommended reading list, I gave myself a crash course in what it was to create and portray a Klingon character. While I'm still developing my character, I have found a few examples I would like to strive to be. These examples are

not only seen on the screen, but also examples in the club we belong to. Thought Admiral Kris and Admiral Klag have both been very helpful, understanding, and patient with me and any questions I may ask. These two warriors hold honor to a high standard and they have gained so much honor by helping their fellow Klingon fans. I thank both of them and hope that one day we will meet face to face.

Speaking of a recommended reading list, I will be adding one to this issue since we have gained new members since the last list was published (issue two or three I think). If anyone has any recommended reading material, please let me know and I will add it to the next newsletter list.

Some of you newer members asked about the SubKlin advertisement in the last issue. The whole thing is a joke, or is it? Around here we've all heard of the SubGenius Foundation (you know those zonked-out artists in Dallas), well this is the Klingon version. While the joke is funny, not a lot of people are laughing (or getting the joke). I was told once that "if you aren't laughing, it's probably about you". You all know I'm into it for the weirdness, hell I've been using a few images sent to me by the one who dubbed me "unkle" for a few years now. Basically the advertisement is telling us that we need to be aware that our group as holes in it and that we shouldn't take the whole thing of dressing up as a made up alien too seriously. Personally, I find it funny.

Now to switch gears we have a party to discuss. You guys voted on the venue and it looks like it's a tie between Q-City and a gathering at someone's residence. Since it's split, we will go out Friday night to Q-City and gather at mi casa for a trek-up to Ponchos's Mexican Buffett to conclude with fireside beer drinking and flatulence contest. I can't wait to see how many pinata's we end up with. I think the consistence from the beer tasting party is that most of you prefer Shiner Bock. I will make sure I have a case for you all, but you have to bring the food. Be thinking about what you want to bring to eat and we will sort it all out at this month's meeting. Koron will bring the Shadowrun booklets and everyone's characters in case we want to break into a game.

See y'all at the next meeting!

~ "Unkle" Kahn vestai-Shar

DEPT. REPORTS

The following reports were given at the last two meetings and transcribed to be recorded here in Maximum Overkill.

XQ: Me visto con ma yas y capa. - Kamarag

Communications: All communications have been forwarded to your mail box, Cap'n. I have looked into creating a yahoo message board for us and a possible location for a free site. I will divulge more information at the next meeting as I am waiting on hear back on how much room we get on this free site. - Khara

Navigation/Helm: Other than seeing that asteroid before, nothing new to report. - Krudge

Engineering: Everything is running a-ok. There is a smell coming from the corner of the room again. Smells like good cheese or bad socks. - Kilrah

Weapons: Been a while since we played a game of paintball. I vote that we put our team on reserve while we can spend time looking into new guns and other equipment. I don't want to retire from playing, but with school and work it's hard to find time these days.

Also, there is a huge gun and knife show next month (information forth coming). The last time I went there were tons of fantasy knives and swords. I saw a batleth and the phoenix blade there. Perhaps we should do some recon to get some prices for members. - Koron



KAHLESS THE NOVEL

A Book Review by Khara

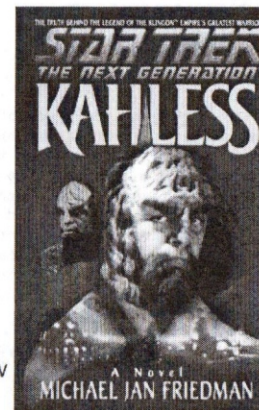
From the book jacket:

"For the last fifteen thousand years, the Klingons have revered him as the first Klingon emperor, the legendary warrior who united their people and taught them the meaning of honor. Myths and fables have grown around the memory of Kahless, but the truth of his incredible life has remained a mystery... until now.

A clone of the original Kahless now holds the title of emperor. He thinks he knows all there is to know about his mighty ancestor, until the discovery of an ancient scroll throws the ancient stories into doubt and threatens to tear the Klingon Empire apart. Surrounded by rumors of treachery and revolt, he can trust no one – except Captain Jean-Luc Picard and Lieutenant Worf of the USS Enterprise.

The ancient scroll reveals an unimagined past where a young Klingon warrior named Kahless risked everything to defy the tyrant Molor. At first, Kahless wishes only to preserve his honor and the safety of his loved ones, but time and circumstances push the reluctant rebel leader toward a destiny greater than any he could have imagined...

The past collides with the present, as the true story of the historical Kahless sparks a battle for control of the Klingon Empire. Yet even if Worf and Picard can prevent a civil war, the revelations contained in the scroll ensure that the Klingon Empire – and the rest of the galaxy – will never be the same."



WOW. What can I say that wouldn't give too much away. The novel is written in a style I haven't seen too often. One chapter of the book is in "modern" time and the other is "ancient time". Meaning that the "modern" time takes place in the current Star Trek universe (much like an episode does) and follows an adventure with the Kahless clone. The "ancient" time takes place back when Kahless was still alive and before the formation of the Empire as we know it. I loved how this novel was broken up like this as it was easier for me to go back and re-read the past time line to read how primitive Klingon society was portrayed.

There is a twist that I didn't see coming and was surprised when I read it. Let's just say that it could change your outlook on the whole clone situation. I am wondering if they will ever bring this up in the television series, but seeing that Paramount doesn't acknowledge the books (even though they probably lift ideas from) we shouldn't hold our breaths.

You can find this book on just about reputable book store (see page 7) or at Half-Priced books. If you have been waiting for a really good Klingon novel, this won't disappoint. I was saddened a bit that it was a fast read, but I found myself going back and re-reading every other chapter. It's like two stories in one!

TRIBBLE

IOTA GEMINORUM IV

A *polygeminus grex* (or tribble) is able to multiply at will, and in fact ninety percent of its metabolism is geared to reproduction. The tribble is a furry monopod and a parasite in that it is able to consume many times its own body weight in food grains each day, a trait that, in combination with its prolific nature, makes it a danger where cereal crops are a commodity. Tribbles thrive, however, wherever humans reside and sometimes form symbiotic relationships, their purring producing a soothing effect on humans. The tribble has a keen sense of smell and is able to distinguish between various species and individuals by scent. Its tiny brain (which is located directly next to the stomach) is connected by thick ganglion to knots of nerve endings surrounding the nostrils, which are extremely sensitive.

- (A) GANGLION
- (B) EPIDERMIS
- (C) SPIRACULUM
- (D) UTERUS
- (E) LUNG
- (F) BRAIN
- (G) HEART
- (H) KIDNEY
- (I) MOUTH
- (J) ESOPHAGUS
- (K) LIVER
- (L) STOMACH
- (M) INTESTINES
- (N) PEDICULUS
- (O) CLOACA
- (P) GONAD

It has been said that Klingons hate Tribbles, and vice versa. Many people have said that it's because Klingons wipe their asses with them. This could be true when the Imperial sandpaper.. er... T.P. runs out, but there is a more logical explanation. Tribbles create a psychic bond to who ever handles them. Most notably the section of that person's brain that creates pleasure. This psychic bond is what Tribbles also feed on and in turn, "purr" so that they are handled more. It is speculated that the handling a Tribble is more like fondling them and that the fondling actually excites asexual reproduction. When a Tribble attempts a psychic bond with a Klingon, the pleasure zone of a Klingon's brain is so violent, the Tribble gives off a shriek in pain. Klingons hate anything that shrieks due to their heightened hearing (honed from centuries of hunting).

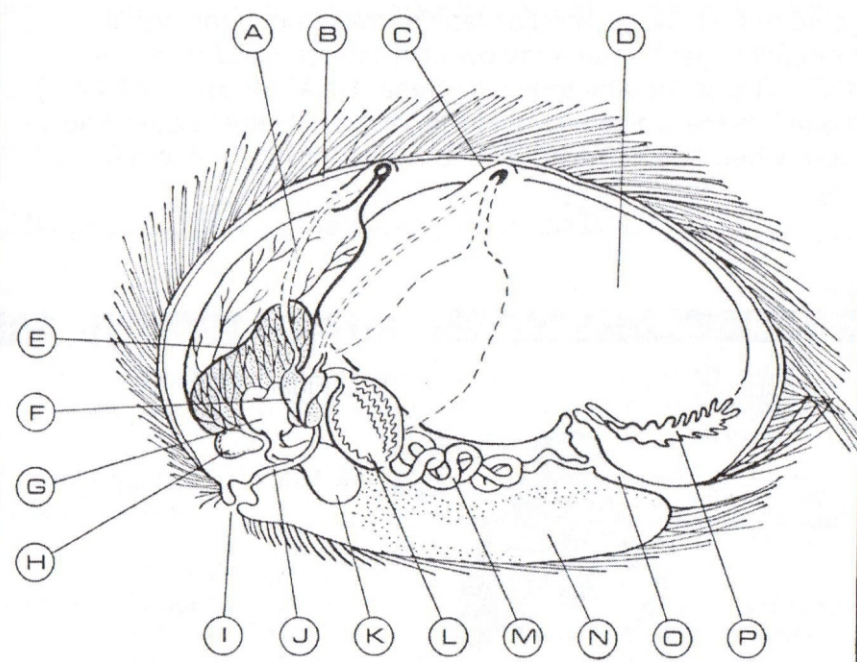
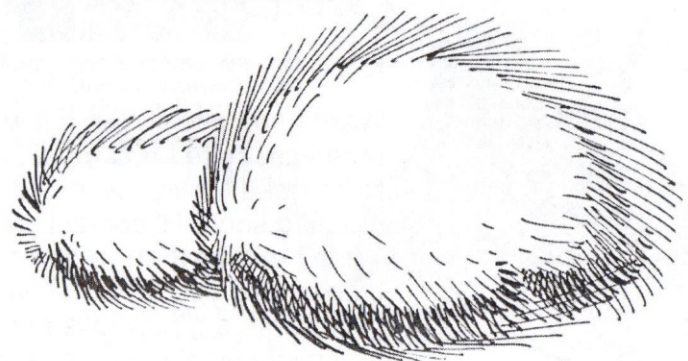
~ Sterling (Vulcan at large)

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DID YOU KNOW?

The Klingons actually have an genetically engineered predatory animal that will eat Tribbles! That creature is called a Glommer and can be seen in the TAS episode: "More Tribbles, More Troubles"

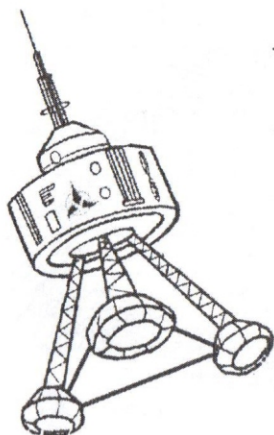
POLYGEMINUS GREX



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Thanks to Kamarag for submitting pages.

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DEAD AIR

"In space, no one can hear you fart... except us."

Warg here. I've gotten a few interested potentials here on campus. I'm going to try to get a library room and hold a meeting soon. I'll contact you, Captain, when I can so that we can coordinate a time incase you want to come up. I also talked with a guy who is majoring in film and might want us to appear in a class or solo project. He told me it was hard to find people dedicated enough to get

dressed up in heavy makeup and not get prissy about it. I'm going to be taking a media class to make up some credit. Hopefully I get to make my own commercial and air it over KNTU (I wonder why they didn't use "UNT" for the call letters). I mean it is the University of North Texas. I'll let you guys know more when I do. Nothing else to report for now, off to have a beer.

ILP Black Staff, post operator Warg, singing off.

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KLINGON BOOKS TO READ

"The Final Reflection"
~ John Ford

"How Much for Just the Planet?"
~ John Ford

"The Klingon Gambit"
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Klingon Encyclopedia
~ Mark Okrand

"Kahless"
~ Michael Jan Friedman

Anything from FASA

BORETH & THE CLERICS

Speaking of Kahless, here's a really good tie-in to the novel that Khara reviewed this month with a bit of back story on the Clerics of Boreth and the clone of Kahless.

By Crpl. Ka'an Tatira



Boreth:

Is the spiritual centre of the Klingon Empire. It is a place of pilgrimage for many Klingons. The Class-M planet is the most sacred place in the Klingon Empire. According to legend it is the place where Kahless the Unforgettable will return from Sto-Vo-Kor and reunite the Klingon people.

Klingon Clerics:

The monastery is home to a group of clerics. In 2369, the head cleric is called Korothe; like the other senior clerics, he wears a robe that is part ceremonial garment and part battle armour.

The clerics have been on Boreth for centuries, waiting for Kahless to return. They have very little influence on the way the Klingon Empire is governed, and the leader of the Klingon High Council does not need their support.

The clerics are responsible for teaching others about the sacred texts, which record the wisdom of Kahless, and for guiding the many visitors to their planet.

The Pilgrims visiting Boreth try to enter a visionary state, in which their greatest hope is to see a vision of Kahless himself. In order to do this the pilgrims fast and attend a number of ceremonies. Typically, male and female pilgrims sit in small groups of no more than eight, with their eyes closed, around a ceremonial stone fire pit. The pilgrims dress in traditional Klingon robes and recite mantras, pray, and meditate.

Ancient promise:

The reason that Boreth is so significant to the Klingons is recorded in Story of Promise.

According to this legend, after Kahless the Unforgettable had united the Klingon people and given them the laws of honour, he saw that his work was done. He gathered his belongings and went to the edge of the city to say goodbye. The people wept, because they did not want him to go. Kahless told them "You are Klingons, you need no one but yourselves. I will go now to Sto-Vo-Kor. But I promise one day I will return." Then Kahless pointed to a star in the sky and said: "Look for me there, on that point of light."

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That promise was made over 15 centuries ago. Since then, the followers of Kahless have established the monastery on Boreth - one of the planets that circles the star to which Kahless pointed.

Kahless's monastery:

The monastery complex itself is composed of at least 5 five separate buildings, like pagodas, in the elaborate traditional Klingon style of architecture.

Life in the monastery is extremely simple. Even though the Klingons had advanced technology by the time they reached Boreth, the buildings are built out of blocks of stone and the heavy doors are made of wood.

False hope:

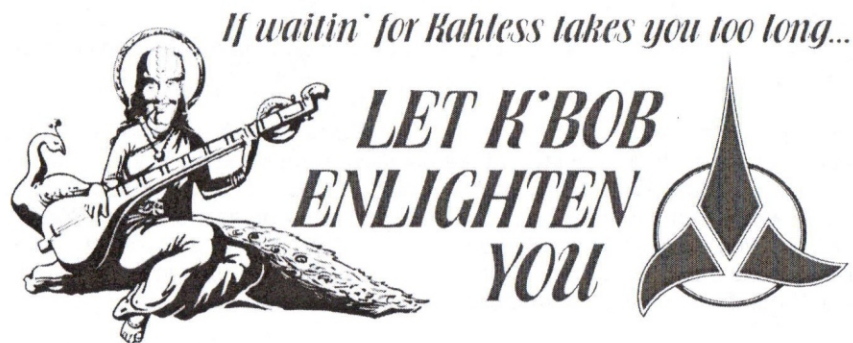
In the 2360's the clerics on Boreth become convinced that they must act to save the Klingon Empire from moral decay. In order to do this, they use an organic sample from the real Kahless to create a clone in a secret laboratory on Boreth. They try to convince the Klingons that Kahless has really returned, and even though the truth is revealed, the clone eventually becomes the ceremonial Klingon Emperor. Despite the clone's existence, many Klingons still visit Boreth in the hope that the real Kahless will one day return.

FACTS:

Although the monks on Boreth have some artefacts that were owned by Kahless, others were lost a thousand years ago in the Hur'q invasion. Others are kept on the Klingon Home world.

Boreth is not the only place Klingons seek visions; the same rituals can be used anywhere.

Klingons who are trying to enter a visionary state use a circular fire pit that burns with an intense flame. The fires produce a lot of heat and smoke. Pilgrims stoke the flames until the temperature is almost unbearable.



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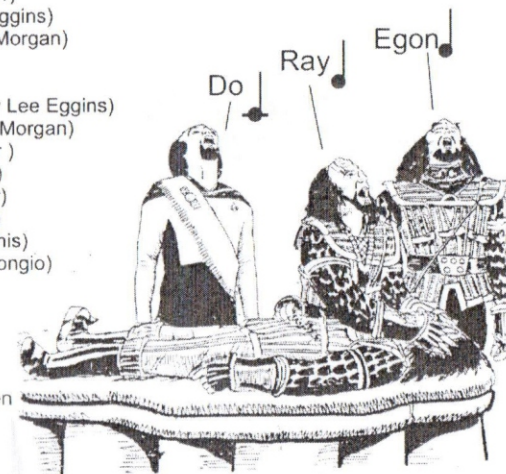
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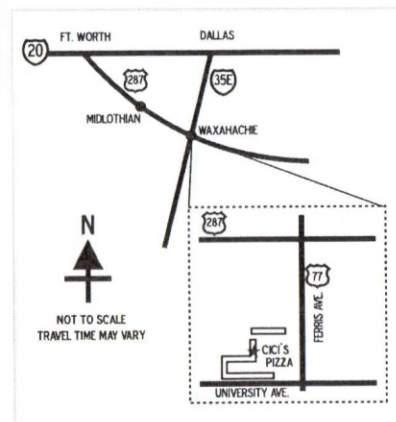
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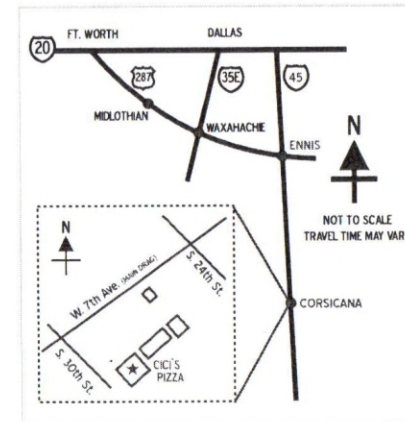
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